

of the United States, who is a Roman Catholic.

I believe that when you say this you are slandering your fellow countrymen. I do not for one moment believe that the mass of our fellow-citizens, or that any considerable number of our fellow-citizens can be influenced by such narrow bigotry as to refuse to vote for any thoroughly upright and fit man because he happens to be of a particular religious creed. Such a consideration should never be treated as a reason for either supporting or opposing a candidate for a political office.

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**Public Men of Many Religions.**

In public life I am happy to say that I have known many men elected, and constantly re-elected, to office in districts where the great majority of their constituents were of a different religious belief. I know Catholics who have for many years represented constituents who were Protestant and Protestants who have for many years represented constituents who were mainly Catholic. And among the Congressmen whom I know particularly well was one man of Jewish faith, who represented a district in which there were hardly any Jews at all. All of these men, by their very existence in political life, refute the slander you have uttered against your fellow Americans.

I believe that this republic will endure for many centuries. If so, there will doubtless be among its Presidents Protestants and Catholics, and very probably at some time, Jews. I have consistently tried while President to act in relation to my fellow Americans of Catholic faith as I hope the any future President who happens to be a Catholic will act towards his fellow Americans of Protestant faith. Had I followed any other course I should have felt that I was unfit to represent the American people.

In my Cabinet at the present moment there sit side by side Catholic and Protestant, Christian and Jew, each man chosen because in my belief he is peculiarly fit to exercise on behalf of all our people the duties of the office to which I have appointed him.

In no case does the man's religious belief in any way influence his discharge of his duties, save as it makes him more eager to act justly and uprightly in his relations to all men. The same principle holds true of the appointing the members of my Cabinet, the highest officials under me, the officials to whom is intrusted the work of carrying out all the important policies of my administration, are the principles upon which all good Americans should act in choosing, whether by election or appointment, the men to fill any office from the highest to the lowest in the land.

Yours truly,  
(Signed)  
THEODORE ROOSEVELT.  
Mr. J. C. Martin, Dayton, O.

#### DIVORCE QUESTION

**Chicago Priest and Counselman Seek Enactment of State Law.**

CHICAGO, November 8.—Matrimony and divorce are to be the subjects of discussion by the Chicago City Council on Monday night. Unless the plans of Alderman Fred A. Brittain, of the Twenty-third Ward, go awry, a start will be made toward procuring State legislation that will prevent a divorce being secured by warring couples.

As soon as the Council has dealt with the ordinance forbidding matrimonial agencies within the city limits, the divorce question will be taken up by the Judiciary Committee. Alderman Brittain will introduce an order directing the legislative committee of the Council to prepare a bill to obstructing divorce proceedings. The principal points of the bill, which is being drafted by Assistant Corporation Counsel Howard Haynes, are to cause a bill setting forth the causes for asking a divorce until a year after a simple plea for divorce without partialization has been filed. It is intended to make it impossible to have a hearing in divorce cases for at least a year after the filing of a bill.

Second, it shall be a felony for any person to go to another State and obtain a divorce without residing in that State at least a year previous to the granting of the decree.

It is probable that the Rev. Father Benno Schrumm, of St. Michael's, a Roman Catholic priest, will aid Alderman Brittain in the presentation of arguments in favor of the novel order.

"Father Schrumm is a very good man to me about six months or so ago," said Alderman Brittain, "while looking upon the subject of divorce, I saw that Father Schrumm's church is interested."

"The conversation changed to turn upon the subject of divorce, and the so-called 'affinity marriages.' Father Schrumm said a law should be passed making it impossible to obtain these quick divorces. I agreed with him."

"The talk set me thinking. I have lived in a Michigan Avenue hotel and guess I have seen a good many divorces. And in half the cases I believe the divorce could have been avoided had the parties been given time enough to patch up their differences and settle the differences."

#### UPRISING FEARED

**Portuguese Government Unable to Cope With the Cannibals of Guinea.**

LISBON, November 8.—The Portuguese government has received word that in response to energetic representations on the part of the French and German ministers, on the subject of killing of French and Germans by natives in Portuguese Guinea, the Portuguese government has admitted that it was unable to quell the last revolt because of the lack of troops.

The government, however, brought about peace temporarily by reducing the hut tax, but in doing so, stood in danger of losing all prestige with the natives, who are ferocious cannibals. A general uprising is feared.

## TOBACCO TRUST FIGHTS AGAINST LAW

**Federal Court So Finds in the Suit Brought by Government.**

NEW YORK, November 8.—The contention of the government that the American Tobacco Company is a trust operating in restraint of trade and competition, in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law, was sustained yesterday in decisions handed down by Judge Lacombe and Judge Knox in the United States Circuit Court here. Judge Ward handed a dissenting opinion. In the suit against the American Tobacco Company, which was prosecuted by James P. Reynolds and Edwin P. Grosvenor, special assistants of the United States Attorney-General, the government asked for an injunction dissolving the combination of the American Tobacco Company and its subsidiary companies on the ground that it operated in restraint of trade and competition. The government also asked the United States Circuit Court to appoint a receiver to wind up the affairs of the company.

While finding that there was an illegal combination as charged, Judge Lacombe, Chief Judge of the court, in his opinion, said that injunctions should issue against all the defendants except the United Cigars Company and the R. P. Richardson, Jr. Company. The injunctions are, however, stayed pending an appeal to the United States Supreme Court.

**Receiver is Denied.**

The petition asking for the appointment of a receiver to take charge of the companies included in the combination was refused as being "impracticable and wholly unnecessary."

The Imperial Tobacco Company and the British American Tobacco Company, English corporations, were included in the government's suit. The complaints against these companies were dismissed.

The government's complaint against the tobacco companies included the names of a large number of subsidiary and allied companies, but not all of these are included in the decision handed down by the court. The United Cigars Company and the R. P. Richardson, Jr. Company, the only companies against which the complaints were dismissed, are not included in the decision.

The suit had been in progress for many months, and great volumes of testimony were taken by the government and on behalf of the defendant companies. It developed from the testimony that the American Tobacco Company is a combination of companies which practically controlled the tobacco trade of the world. This control, so far as foreign markets are concerned, was shown to have been of comparatively recent origin, however, and came about through the formation of a working agreement with a European tobacco company, which has since been broken. The American Tobacco Company is said to have control of the production and consumption, not only in Europe, but in Asia as well.

The New Jersey Tobacco Company was formed under the laws of New Jersey in 1904, when the old American Tobacco Company, which had been formed in 1890, was reorganized. The new company was formed by the merger of the American Tobacco Company and the Continental Tobacco Company, which had been formed in 1890. The new company was formed by the merger of the American Tobacco Company and the Continental Tobacco Company, which had been formed in 1890.

**Extra Dividends Aggregating 15 per cent.**

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**Are Recovering the Bodies.**

AMOI, November 8.—The bodies of several of the victims of the wreck of the small steamer which occurred near Tundun November 5th have been recovered. The steamer was carrying 110 passengers, and 600 men were aboard, and of those only 400 were rescued. Many of the victims were killed while in the water by piratical looting with intent of robbery.

**Blew Up Barracks.**

PARIS, November 8.—A special dispatch from Belgrade says that a band of Bosnian refugees from the mountains on Friday night blew up barracks at Konitzka, a town in Herzegovina, which is situated about eighty miles from the Serbian frontier. The barracks were blown up by a band of 17 German-speaking Austrian soldiers. The dispatch also says that the Austrian papers have suppressed this news.

## HUSBAND FOUND DR. McKIM AGAIN HIS FAMILY DEAD AS TO THE FRONT

**Returning from His Work, Discovered Wife Had Committed Deed.**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

PITTSBURGH, Pa., November 8.—Mrs. William Casey, wife of an employee of the Westinghouse Air Brake Company, yesterday morning killed her son-in-law, George Hartzell, who had been acquitted of murdering his wife, the seventeen-year-old daughter of Mrs. Casey. Her eighteen-year-old daughter, Irene, and then killed herself with a razor. The bodies were found by William Casey when he returned from work.

Mrs. Casey apparently had put the child to bed, when Hartzell, who was a boarder and slept in a third-story room, returned. Mrs. Casey listened until he was asleep, and then crept into his room and held a bottle of chloroform to his face. Hartzell awakened, and there was a struggle, in which Mrs. Casey slashed his throat with a razor.

Believing that she could hide the crime, she put his body in a trunk, later she became overcome with grief, slashed the throat of her daughter, Irene, and then slashed her own throat, breaking the razor in the attempt. A neighbor, who was called in to help, found the bodies and called the police. The bodies were found by William Casey when he returned from work.

#### ARGENTINE'S NAVY

**Senate Committee Will Recommend That Appropriation Be Cut in Half.**

BUENOS AIRES, November 8.—The Argentine Commission, representing the Senate in the debate on the naval armaments project, recommended a maximum expenditure over a period of six years of \$28,000,000. In place of the \$100,000,000 which the Argentine Deputies last August. The amount voted by the deputies exceeded by several millions the amount asked for in the executive budget. The commission, in its report, recommended that the appropriation be cut in half.

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#### THEY LIKE TAFT

**His Election is Heartily Welcomed by Press of Germany.**

BERLIN, November 8.—The Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung, discussing the election of Mr. Taft from semi-official point of view, says: "Mr. Taft is heartily welcomed by Germany. The successor of Mr. Roosevelt is far from being an unknown personality in our political circles, where his career has been followed with interest by this way. The impression gathered by this way, the impression gathered by this way, the impression gathered by this way."

## Manchester News..

**Citizens of Manchester who are compelled to cross the Free Bridge daily are pleased to learn that the Bridge Commission has been called to meet tomorrow evening, and will take action toward the crossing of the bridge.**

The present speed schedule and the rules requiring cars to stop over each pier were made by the Bridge Commission at the time the work of strengthening the bridge was in progress. The present speed schedule and the rules requiring cars to stop over each pier were made by the Bridge Commission at the time the work of strengthening the bridge was in progress.

**New Leader Theatre.**

Work of remodeling the Leader Theatre has been completed, and under new management, the theatre is ready to open up to-night. A bill, composed of seven acts, will be presented. The performers are secured from the best of metropolitan talent.

**Surprise Party.**

The home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Kidd was the scene of a delightful surprise party last night. The guests were friends of Miss Hazel Kidd and Mr. James Bernard. Games of all kinds were played and refreshments served. Among those present were: Misses Elsie and Katherine Goode, Lena and Edith Chidsey, Annie Laws, Owen Dennis, Alice Gray and Ida Mimms, Grace Wood, Hazel Crooks, Inez Ferris, Marie Norris, Hazel Smart and Edna Galloway, and Messrs. Raymond Nunnally, Willie Owens, Robert Taylor, Furnish Hines, Jack Laws, Frank Wilmouth, Luther Spencer, Cornelius Andrews, David Herren, Buddie Wood, Mike Money, Lee Dunavant, Charlie Wilkerson, Robert Crockett, Henry Holt, Francis French, Bernard and Eddie Kidd, and Mr. and Mrs. Kidd.

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## FAMOUS FRENCH DRAMATIST



#### GREAT DRAMATIST DEAD

**Victorien Sardou, Dean of French Playwrights, Passes Away.**

PARIS, November 8.—Victorien Sardou, who had been ill for a long time, died today from pulmonary congestion. He was seventy-seven years old. He was the dean of French dramatists and a member of the French Academy. The man whose first play was hissed, and who then went to go to America to seek his fortune, died rich and honored with the proud title of France's greatest and most prolific contemporary dramatist.

#### News Forecast for the Week

Both those who make newspapers and those who read them welcome the emergency news of the world from a large degree during the closing weeks of the national political campaign. With the exception of the subject of postal savings banks in England and France.

The annual horse show and opera season will open in New York Monday evening. The case of the so-called powder trust will be resumed at Wilmington, Del.

Railroad men and shippers are awaiting with solicitude the outcome of arguments scheduled to be heard in the United States courts at Kansas City tomorrow in a proceeding which will test the maximum freight rate law.

#### DAY OF QUIET

**Sunday's Rest in Contrast to Taft's Days of Campaigning.**

HOT SPRINGS, Va., November 8.—"I really did some great work at sleeping last night, and am already beginning to feel the tiredness disappear."

This was President-elect Taft's comment this afternoon, as from the porch of his cottage among the trees he looked at the red sun slip behind the mountains, over which lazily hung the blue smoke of many forest fires.

**Representative Joseph W. Gaines, of West Virginia, stopped here today, and had a talk with Judge Taft. Mr. Gaines is on his way to Washington to attend the tariff hearings to be held by the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives, of which he is a member.**

**Hitchock at French Lick.**

FRENCH LICK, IND., November 8.—The body of Frank H. Hitchock, of the Republican National Committee, arrived today for a short period of rest. He was accompanied by Secretary William Hayward, Assistant Treasurer Fred W. Upman, of Chicago, and several assistants. The party is here for a conference with President-Elect Taft.

**Ohio's Vote.**

CINCINNATI, O., November 8.—Eighty-seven of the eighty-eight counties of Ohio, Lucas being still in the hands of the Federal army, have given Taft 57,977; Bryan, 48,387. Taft's plurality, 7,160. Eighty-seven counties, however, have not yet given their vote. The party is here for a conference with President-Elect Taft.

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## ALL IS READY FOR CUBAN ELECTIONS

**Take Place Saturday Next—Little Difference in Two Parties.**

HAVANA, November 8.—On Saturday next elections will be held throughout the island for President, Vice-President, Senators and Representatives in the lower House of Congress, to whom, according to the present program, will be committed the fate of the restored Cuban republic on the termination of the government of intervention, January 25, 1909.

The troops of the United States will be withdrawn on that date. All of the election officers have been appointed, the electoral boards organized and the last ballots distributed, and the whole island is absorbed in the outcome of the struggle for supremacy. The Conservatives are headed by General Mario Menocal and Dr. Rafael Montoro, the presidential and vice-presidential candidates, respectively. The Liberals are headed by General Alfredo Zayas, are the nominees of the Liberal party, the Miguelista and Zafayista factions of which finally united their forces in support of General Gomez on the understanding that he would not be nominated for a second term.

Every safeguard has been provided by the provisional government. Both political leaders have given absolute assurances that they will accept loyally the results of the popular verdict.

**Platforms Very Similar.**

There is practically no difference in the platforms of the two parties, both having as their chief plank the preservation of the republic, equal rights for all citizens, the encouragement of agriculture and commerce and the maintenance of friendly relations with the United States. The struggle is frankly for the possession of the government and the control of public patronage.

General Gomez and General Menocal are veterans of the revolution, and have a large following. Dr. Montoro is the foremost orator in Cuba, and was nominated in the expectation of his being able to control the Spanish vote, but he is unpopular with many Cubans on account of his attitude during the revolution, when he held office in the autonomous government in the last days of the Spanish regime.

Senor Zayas is the idol of many Liberals. He was the leader of the last uprising against President Thomas Estrada Palma, but his followers are suspected of giving but lukewarm support to the candidacy of General Gomez, between whom and Senor Zayas there was long an implacable feud. The business interests are strongly in favor of General Menocal, but the result of the presidential election will probably be very close. The result will, perhaps, not be known for several days.

**Obituary.**

**Funeral of Mr. Dold.**

LEXINGTON, VA., November 8.—The body of Newman L. Dold, who died Friday in Philadelphia, reached Lexington last night and the funeral was held this afternoon from Lexington Presbyterian Church, conducted by the pastor, Dr. Alfred T. Graham. The interment will be in the cemetery at Lexington.

**John W. Myers.**

WOODSTOCK, VA., November 8.—John W. Myers died here today, aged seventy-three years. He had been sick for a number of years, but died suddenly from a heart failure. He is survived by a widow, four sons and six daughters.

**Deaths.**

WILKINSON.—Died suddenly, at his home, 108 East Clay Street, Saturday at 8:30 P. M. Mr. RICHARD THOMAS WILKINSON, in the sixty-ninth year of his age. He is survived by his wife and one daughter.

Funeral from St. Mark's Church this (Monday) AFTERNOON at 3:30 o'clock. Interment in Hollywood.

**MARRIED WOMEN**

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